

Notice of Allowability

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 10/12/2004.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1, 6, 8-12, 13, 17-20 have been renumbered 1-12 respectively.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on 12 December 2001 are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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5. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

This office action is in response to Amendment filed on June 21, 2004

Claim 1, 6, 8-13 and 17-20 are Amended

Claim 2-5, 7 and 14-16, have been canceled.

Allowable Subject Matter

1. **Claim 1, 6 and 13** are allowed over prior art of record.

The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

The prior art record. Suzuki (Patent no. 5,983,158) teaches a telematics radio for providing driving directions to an operator of a vehicle; the telematics radio comprising: a receiver operable for receiving a position signal indicative of the current location of the vehicle; memory operable for storing the location of at least one pre-selected destination (C6, 35-55, Fig.2, No.4b, 4c) a processor operable with the receiver (C6, L50) and the memory for determining driving directions from the current location of the vehicle to each pre-selected destination based on the position signal and map information; and an interface operable for receiving a request from the operator for the driving directions to a desired pre-selected destination (C7, L7-20, Fig.3, No.S1, S2), the interface is further operable with the processor for providing the operator with the driving directions to the desired pre-selected destination (C3, L55-67, C4, L1-20).

However, Suzuki **fail to teaches** wherein the interface includes at least one button and is operable with the memory for associating pre-selected destinations with

respective ones of the at least one button, wherein the interface receives a request from the operator for the driving directions to a desired pre-selected destination in response to the operator pressing the button associated with the desired pre-selected destination; wherein, in response to receiving an interface deactivation signal, the interface is disabled from providing the operator with driving directions to the pre-selected destinations such that the interface ignores requests from the operator for the driving directions to the pre-selected destinations in response to the operator pressing the buttons associated with the pre-selected destinations, as substantially connected and recited as specific detail and combination as in independent claims 6 and 13.

Claims 8-12, 17-20 are allowed as being dependent on the independent claims 1 and 13

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Kiet Doan whose telephone number is 703-305-4749. The examiner can normally be reached on 8am - 5pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, William Trost can be reached on 703-308-5318. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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